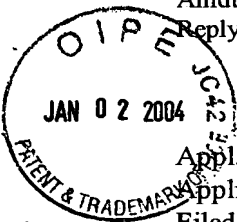


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Sir:

This Amendment, along with a Request for Continued Examination, is filed in response to the Office action dated September 9, 2003 (Paper No. 12). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on December 9, 2003. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request and petition for a 1 month extension of time up to and including January 9, 2004. A check totaling \$880.00 is included for the \$110.00 extension of time fee and the \$770.00 Request for Continued Examination fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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